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Kaua'i reports four new COVID-19 cases on Wednesday

LĪHU'E —The Kaua'i District Health Office today reported four new positive cases of COVID-19, bringing the county's total number of active cases to 12, and the cumulative total of cases to date to 33.

The new cases include an adult and three children from one household who are now in isolation. Other members of that household are in quarantine.

The eight previous positive cases, which were identified last week, are from a separate household and also remain in isolation.

"All the individuals are either mildly ill or asymptomatic. So far no one has required hospitalization," said Kaua'i District Health Officer Dr. Janet Berreman.

These new cases were identified through the state Department of Health's (DOH) ongoing contact tracing process. As a result of that contact tracing, DOH is continuing to identify, test, and quarantine additional contacts. Officials will continue to receive test results over the next few days.

The new case emphasizes the need for the public to continue to heed emergency rules and recommendations to avoid exposure. Some of these recommendations are to:

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 Wear a cloth mask whenever away from home and near individuals not part of your immediate household.

- When interacting with people from outside your household, maintain a distance of 6 feet of separation.
- Stay at home as much as possible.
- Wash hands frequently, for at least 20 seconds, and avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.

For local updates, visit the Kaua'i Emergency Management Agency page, www.kauai.gov/COVID-19. The state Department of Health also posts state updates and information at hawaiicovid19.com.

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